

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 64th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

Call to Order: Chair Scott Sales, on January 9, 2015 at 9:00 A.M., in Room 152 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Scott Sales, Chair (R)
Sen. Jennifer Fielder, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Robyn Driscoll (D)
Sen. Kris Hansen (R)
Sen. Jedediah Hinkle (R)
Sen. Douglas (Doug) Kary (R)
Sen. Cliff Larsen (D)
Sen. Mary McNally (D)
Sen. Mary Sheehy Moe (D)
Sen. Diane Sands (D)
Sen. Nels Swandal (R)
Sen. Chas Vincent (R)

Members Excused: None

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Julianne Burkhardt, Legislative Branch
Pam Schindler, Committee Secretary

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: SB 15, 1/6/2015; SB 93, 1/6/2015
SB 15-Do Pass

HEARING ON SB 15

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:01:26 Sen. Nels Swandal (R), SD 30, opened the hearing on SB 15, Clarify laws relating to the call of a retired judge or justice.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:03:58 Bruce Spencer, State Bar of Montana (SBM)
00:04:47 Lee Bruner, Montana Defense Trial Lawyers (MDTL)
00:05:17 Beth McLaughlin, administrator, Montana Supreme Court, Montana Judges Association (MJA)
00:06:15 Al Smith, Montana Trial Lawyers Association (MTLA)

Opponents' Testimony:

None

Informational Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

None

Closing by Sponsor:

00:07:28 Sen. Swandal

HEARING ON SB 93

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:08:14 Sen. Pat Connell (R), SD 43, opened the hearing on SB 93, Revise laws related to DUI convictions and restricted-use driving permit.

Proponents' Testimony:

None

Opponents' Testimony:

00:10:51 Mark Murphy, Montana County Attorneys Association (MCAA)
00:13:46 Jim Smith, Montana Sheriffs and Peace Officers Association (MSPOA)

Informational Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:15:22	Sen. Vincent
00:16:12	Sen. Connell
00:19:57	Sen. McNally
00:20:13	Sen. Connell
00:22:02	Sen. Hinkle
00:23:00	Sen. Connell
00:23:51	Sen. Larsen
00:25:21	Sen. Connell

Closing by Sponsor:

00:27:00	Sen. Connell
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EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 15

00:27:15	<u>Motion:</u> Sen. Swandal moved that SB 15 DO PASS.
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Discussion:

00:27:35	Sen. Vincent
00:28:25	Sen. Swandal
00:29:02	Sen. Kary
00:29:18	Sen. Swandal
00:30:02	Sen. Kary
00:30:10	Sen. Swandal
00:30:33	Sen. Moe
00:30:44	Sen. Swandal

00:30:55	<u>Vote:</u> Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
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ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 9:32 A.M.

Pam Schindler, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

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